

**UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS  
FOR THE SIXTH CIRCUIT**

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Re: Case No. 20-1852, *USA v. Jarris Smith*  
Originating Case No. : 2:10-cr-20566-1

Dear Mr. Smith and Counsel,

The Court issued the enclosed Order today in this case.

Sincerely yours,

s/Roy G. Ford  
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cc: Ms. Kinikia D. Essix

Enclosure

No. 20-1852

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff-Appellee,

V.

JARRIS JARROD SMITH,

Defendant-Appellant.

ORDER

Before: SILER, CLAY, and THAPAR, Circuit Judges.

On August 3, 2020, the district court entered an order denying Jarris Jarrod Smith's motion for compassionate release or a reduction of his sentence under 18 U.S.C. § 3582(c)(1)(A). The time for filing a notice of appeal as to that order expired on August 17, 2020. *See* Fed. R. App. P. 4(b)(1)(A). Smith's notice of appeal is dated August 14, 2020, but it was received in the prison mailroom on August 20, 2020. It was filed in the district court on August 24, 2020. The government filed a motion to dismiss the appeal based on Smith's failure to comply with the time limitations of Federal Rule of Appellate Procedure 4(b).

By an earlier order, we deferred ruling on the government's motion to dismiss and remanded for the district court to determine whether Smith's untimely filing was due to excusable neglect or good cause. On remand, the district court found that Smith had shown good cause for not filing his notice of appeal until August 24. Accordingly, the district court extended the period during which Smith could appeal the August 3 order to August 24, 2020.

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It is ordered that the government's motion to dismiss the appeal for failure to comply with the time limitations of Rule 4(b) is **DENIED**.

ENTERED BY ORDER OF THE COURT

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Deborah S. Hunt", is written over a horizontal line.

Deborah S. Hunt, Clerk